

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE

7590

10/05/2005

SUGHRUE MION, PLLC 2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20037-3213 EXAMINER

NGUYEN, BINH QUOC

ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER

2664

DATE MAILED: 10/05/2005

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/025.685	12/26/2001	Stefaan Jozef De Cnodder	O67655	6036

TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR ALLOCATING A BANDWIDTH BETWEEN NETWORK TERMINALS IN A COMMUNICATION NETWORK AND NETWORK INCLUDING A MEDIUM ACCESS CONTROLLER FOR PERFORMING SUCH A METHOD

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	sional NO \$1400		\$300	\$1700	01/05/2006

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. <u>PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED</u>. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN <u>THREE MONTHS</u> FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. <u>THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED</u>. SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE REFLECTS A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE APPLIED IN THIS APPLICATION. THE PTOL-85B (OR AN EQUIVALENT) MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN THIS PERIOD EVEN IF NO FEE IS DUE OR THE APPLICATION WILL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED.

HOW TO REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:

I. Review the SMALL ENTITY status shown above.

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as YES, verify your current SMALL ENTITY status:

A. If the status is the same, pay the TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above.

B. If the status above is to be removed, check box 5b on Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and twice the amount of the ISSUE FEE shown above, or

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as NO:

A. Pay TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above, or

B. If applicant claimed SMALL ENTITY status before, or is now claiming SMALL ENTITY status, check box 5a on Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and 1/2 the ISSUE FEE shown above.

II. PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL should be completed and returned to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with your ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). Even if the fee(s) have already been paid, Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and returned. If you are charging the fee(s) to your deposit account, section "4b" of Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and an extra copy of the form should be submitted.

III. All communications regarding this application must give the application number. Please direct all communications prior to issuance to Mail Stop ISSUE FEE unless advised to the contrary.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Utility patents issuing on applications filed on or after Dec. 12, 1980 may require payment of maintenance fees. It is patentee's responsibility to ensure timely payment of maintenance fees when due.

PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL

Complete and send this form, together with applicable fee(s), to: Mail

Mail Stop ISSUE FEE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

(571) 273-2885 or Fax

appropriate. All further con indicated unless corrected maintenance fee notification	rrespondence including the F below or directed otherwise	attent, advance or in Block 1, by (a	ders and noti) specifying :	ification of maintenance fees values a new correspondence address:	vill be mailed to the current and/or (b) indicating a sep	correspondence address as arate "FEE ADDRESS" for	
	TE ADDRESS (Note: Use Block 1 for a 10/05/2005	iny change of address)		Fee(s) Transmittal. Th	mailing can only be used f is certificate cannot be used al paper, such as an assignm e of mailing or transmission.	for any other accompanying	
SUGHRUE MION, PLLC 2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20037-3213				Cer I hereby certify that the States Postal Service vaddressed to the Mai transmitted to the USF	rtificate of Mailing or Tran nis Fee(s) Transmittal is bein with sufficient postage for fu 1 Stop ISSUE FEE address TO (571) 273-2885, on the	smission g deposited with the United st class mail in an envelope above, or being facsimile late indicated below.	
						(Depositor's name)	
						(Signature)	
						(Date)	
APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE		FIRST NAME	D INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
10/025,685	12/26/2001		Stefaan Jozei	f De Cnodder	Q67655	6036	
NETWORK INCLUDING	A MEDIUM ACCESS CONT	TROLLER FOR P	ERFORMING		,		
APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FI		PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE	
nonprovisional	NO	\$1400	}	\$300	\$1700	01/05/2006	
EXAM	1INER	ART UN	IT	CLASS-SUBCLASS]		
NGUYEN, BINH QUOC		2664		370-395000			
"Fee Address" indicate PTO/SB/47; Rev 03-02 Number is required. 3. ASSIGNEE NAME AND	_	tion form of a Customer E PRINTED ON T low, no assignee of this form is NOT	or agents ((2) the naregistered 2 registered listed, no note that will app The parent as substitute	mes of up to 3 registered pater OR, alternatively, me of a single firm (having as attorney or agent) and the named patent attorneys or agents. If name will be printed. If (print or type) near on the patent. If an assign for filing an assignment. CE: (CITY and STATE OR CO	a member a 2eles of up to no name is 3elee is identified below, the o	document has been filed for	
Please check the appropriate	e assignee category or categor	ies (will not be pri	inted on the p	oatent): 🔲 Individual 🔲 C	orporation or other private gr	oup entity Government	
4a. The following fee(s) are	enclosed:	4b	. Payment of	• •			
☐ Issue Fee			A check in the amount of the fee(s) is enclosed.				
Publication Fee (No small entity discount permitted)			Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.				
Advance Order - # of Copies			The Director is hereby authorized by charge the required fee(s), or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number (enclose an extra copy of this form).				
_ ` .	(from status indicated above MALL ENTITY status. See 3		□h Applie	cant is no longer claiming SMA	I I ENTITY status See 37.0	FR 1 27(a)(2)	
				ny) or to re-apply any previousle other than the applicant; a reg			
Authorized Signature				Date			
Typed or printed name			Registration No.				
This collection of informatic an application. Confidential submitting the completed ap this form and/or suggestions	on is required by 37 CFR 1.3 ity is governed by 35 U.S.C. opplication form to the USPTC of for reducing this burden, sh	11. The information 122 and 37 CFR 10. Time will vary ould be sent to the	n is required 1.14. This col depending up	to obtain or retain a benefit by llection is estimated to take 12 pon the individual case. Any co nation Officer, U.S. Patent and	the public which is to file (an minutes to complete, including mements on the amount of the Trademark Office, U.S. Der	d by the USPTO to process) ng gathering, preparing, and me you require to complete artment of Commerce P.O.	

Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
10/025,685	12/26/2001	Stefaan Jozef De Cnodder	Q67655	6036	
7590 10/05/2005			EXAMINER		
SUGHRUE MION, PLLC			NGUYEN, BINH QUOC		
2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20037-3213			ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER	
			2664		

DATE MAILED: 10/05/2005

Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 952 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 952 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

Applicant will be able to obtain more detailed information by accessing the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) WEB site (http://pair.uspto.gov).

Any questions regarding the Patent Term Extension or Adjustment determination should be directed to the Office of Patent Legal Administration at (571) 272-7702. Questions relating to issue and publication fee payments should be directed to the Customer Service Center of the Office of Patent Publication at (703) 305-8283.